

Mark 12:38-44

As he taught, Jesus said, "Watch out for the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets. They devour widows' houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely."

Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on."

*WELCOME TO  
ZION'S REFORMED CHURCH*

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The Altar flowers are placed in memory of Frank, Frances and Bob Reimold, by the Reimold Family.

The Chancel flowers are placed in memory of Bruce Wolff, by Gayle and family.

Ushering this month are Lynn Rinella, Emily Rinella, Julie Hills, Gunner Hills, and Kelly Bielata

The children are invited to the Youth Center after the Children's Sermon for Church Happening.

Everyone is invited to the Anderson Lounge after the service for coffee and conversation.

**Large Print Bulletins** and seat cushions are available in the back of the sanctuary. Coloring books and crayons are available for children.

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17

One day Ruth's mother-in-law Naomi said to her, "My daughter, I must find a home for you, where you will be well provided for. Now Boaz, with whose women you have worked, is a relative of ours. Tonight he will be winnowing barley on the threshing floor. Wash, put on perfume, and get dressed in your best clothes. Then go down to the threshing floor, but don't let him know you are there until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, note the place where he is lying. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down. He will tell you what to do." "I will do whatever you say," Ruth answered.

So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When he made love to her, the LORD enabled her to conceive, and she gave birth to a son. The women said to Naomi: "Praise be to the LORD, who this day has not left you without a guardian-redeemer. May he become famous throughout Israel! He will renew your life and sustain you in your old age. For your daughter-in-law, who loves you and who is better to you than seven sons, has given him birth." Then Naomi took the child in her arms and cared for him. The women living there said, "Naomi has a son!" And they named him Obed. He was the father of Jesse, the father of David.

Hebrews 9: 24-28

For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made with human hands that was only a copy of the true one; he entered heaven itself, now to appear for us in God's presence. Nor did he enter heaven to offer himself again and again, the way the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood that is not his own. Otherwise Christ would have had to suffer many times since the creation of the world. But he has appeared once for all at the culmination of the ages to do away with sin by the sacrifice of himself. Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.



Wednesday, November 13 at  
6:00: Consistory Meeting

Wednesday, November 20 at  
4:00: Ministry of CE and Youth

Wednesday, November 20 at  
5:30: Ministry of Welcoming  
and Fellowship.

**ZION'S REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
**Rev. Steven L. Craft, Senior Pastor**  
**Lori Seinar-Roknick, Director of Music Ministries**

*\*Please rise in body or spirit, as you are able.*

November 10, 2024 10:30 a.m.

*Where the past and the future with Jesus Christ are  
celebrated so the present can be lived abundantly.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Ruth Herrick, Lector

THE SOLEMN DECLARATION

Leader: And now may we prepare our hearts and minds for  
worship as we are gathered in the name of God the  
Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES and THE ENTRANCE OF LIGHT  
Emily Rinella, Acolyte

*~Please use prelude time for thought, reflection and prayer~*

PRELUDE "You Raise Me Up" Lovland/Graham

\*GATHERING SONG "I Love You, Lord"

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to  
wor-ship you, O my soul re-joice. Take  
joy, my King, in what you hear, may it be a  
sweet, sweet sound in your ear.



**THANKSGIVING  
CHURCH POTLUCK**

**SUNDAY,  
NOVEMBER 24  
IN ANDERSON  
LOUNGE**

**BRING A SIDE DISH OR DESSERT  
TO SHARE. HAM AND  
BEVERAGES WILL BE PROVIDED.**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come, take your rest this day

**People: Lord, free us from the stresses we have endured this week.**

Leader: Come, put your minds at ease.

**People: Lord, ease the burdens and frustrations of our lives.**

Leader: Come. For this is the house of the Lord. It is here that you will find peace.

**People: Praise and thanks be to God for giving us sanctuary.**

**\*OPENING HYMN NO. 67** "Let Me Enter God's Own Dwelling  
(verses 1 thru 4)

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of grace, you have called us to give ourselves completely to you, yet we often hold back part for worldly pursuits. You have given us the gift of time. You give us time to serve, time to learn, time to grow, time to share and yet we spend our time serving self. You provide us with opportunity to serve in numerous ways using the talents and abilities we have been given. We tend to hide our gifts. You have provided even the least among us with more financial resources than most of the world and we resist sharing because of fear for the future. You have provided us with a beautiful creation to enjoy and yet we take it for granted and abuse this incredible earth. Lord, in your mercy, forgive us. Amen.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

*~before you sit down, please greet someone near you~*

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

**\*HYMN NO. 562** "Take My Gifts"

**SCRIPTURES** Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17 (bulletin page 7)  
Hebrews 9:24-28 (bulletin page 7)  
Mark 12:38-44 (back of bulletin)

**SERMON** "A Few Copper Coins"

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

Invitation

Offertory Music "Bridge Over Troubled Water" Paul Simon

\*Doxology No. 780

\*Prayer of Dedication

**\*CLOSING HYMN** "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

**Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me;  
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.  
With God our creator, children all are we.  
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.  
Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.  
With every step I take let this be my solemn vow  
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally,  
Let there be peace on earth; and let it begin with me.**

**\*THE BENEDICTION** and **TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD**

**\*THE POSTLUDE** "I'd Like to Teach the World To Sing" B. Backer